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In re the Application of: HOJO, Hisakazu et al.

Group Art Unit: 1761

Serial No.: 10/000,130

Examiner: Helen F. Pratt

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For. MANUFACTURING METHOD OF FOOD ADDITIVE COMPOSITION AND FOOD COMPOSITION CONTAINING THE SAME

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Date: May 19, 2004

Sir:

Applicants petition the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated November 19, 2003 for three months from February 19, 2004, to May 19, 2004.

Attached please find a check in the amount of \$475.00 (small entity) to cover the cost of the extension for a large entity. In the event that any additional fees are due in connection with this paper, please charge our Deposit Account No. 01-2340.

Respectfully submitted,

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